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MEMORANDUM FOR: HMDA Contact
Home Mortgage Disclosure Act Data

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SUBJECT: Transfer of Home Mortgage Disclosure Act Data Collection –
Office of Thrift Supervision to the Federal Reserve Board

The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) and the Federal Reserve Board (FRB) have recently reached an agreement to transfer the OTS Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) collection process to the FRB. This change is effective immediately with your 2001 HMDA report due on March 1, 2002. In the near future, the FRB will provide you with information on its report collection requirements including the address to send reports, reporting format, and other key information. The FFIEC website, www.ffiec.gov/hmda/fileformats.htm provides detailed information on the required reporting format. In addition, you can forward questions to the FRB via the HMDA assistance line at (202) 452-2016, or by e-mail to HMDAHELP@FRB.GOV.

Late last year, OTS provided free FFIEC software to its HMDA reporters. This software can be used for the 2001 HMDA report submission to the FRB. The FRB encourages internet transmission utilizing this software. If your institution uses outside vendors to prepare and transmit your HMDA report, **it is extremely important that you notify them immediately of this change.** Your vendor needs to be informed of the FRB format requirements and that reel tape submissions will not be accepted.

We expect the transfer of HMDA collection responsibilities to the FRB will go smoothly and appreciate your support and cooperation as we complete the transition. If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact Pam Schaar on 202-906-7205.